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HOUSE MOTHER IS NAMED FOR S.T.C.

WILL BE HEAD OF NEW RESIDENCE HALL

FORMAL OPENING SOON

Other Missouri Teacher College Heads to be Here—Governor Hyde Invited

Mrs. Sarah P. Campbell of Madison, Ga., has been selected to fill the position of "House Mother" at the new girls Residence Hall of the State Teachers College. Mrs. Campbell will arrive in Maryville Sunday and will immediately assume her duties. She has had twelve years of experience in similar positions and during that time has come in personal contact with more than 6000 girls. At present she is superintendent of the A. C. Club in Atlanta, Ga. This is a home for unmarried girls who are either working or taking business courses in that city, and is sponsored by the Centenary Presbyterian church.

Mrs. Campbell is an active W. C. T. U. worker in the state of Georgia, being the state secretary of that organization.

Mrs. Campbell is a graduate of several girls colleges in the South and has traveled considerably in the East. Her experience with girls has been wide and President Lamkin of the State Teachers College feels confident that she will carry out her duties a "House Mother" in an admirable manner.

In connection with this he said, "Mrs. Campbell is to be the "House Mother" and she is to be, to the girls under her what a mother should be to her family. We want to get away from the word 'dormitory.' It is not a dormitory. It is a residence hall and will be named as soon as the board of regents meets."

Mrs. Campbell was for seven years head of LaMar Hall at the Georgia State College for women at Milledgeville, Ga., and in this hall were about 140 girls under her care practically all of the time. In addition she was for three years head of a residence hall at the Georgia State Normal School at Athens, Ga., where she was in charge of 135 girls. Her daughter was then a student of this college and upon her graduation Mrs. Campbell resigned her position to go to Atlanta.

A formal opening of the residence hall will be held upon its acceptance by the board of regents. This will be sometime around the first of February. At this time all of the presidents of the State Teachers Colleges in the state will be in Maryville as well as other state officials. An invitation has been extended to Governor Hyde to be in Maryville on the date of the formal opening but it is doubtful if he will be able to come.

The dormitory will accomodate 135 girls. There are 77 sleeping rooms but ten of them are for employees of the hall. Two rooms will be reserved for guests, one for the house mother and one for a nurse.

The kitchen and dining room will be in the charge of Miss Mary Wooldrige, D. D. Miller has been hired as chef, with two assistants and it is likely that some of the students of the College will be used in the dining room.

A cafeteria breakfast will be served from 7 to 8:30 o'clock each morning, lunch will be from 11:30 to 1 o'clock and dinner will be at 6:30 o'clock. On Sunday, dinner will be served at 12:30 o'clock and supper will be served cafeteria style from 6 to 7 o'clock.

Arrangements for the prices of the meals have been made. Dinner will be served daily to anyone wishing it up to the capacity of the dining room, which is 192. The price of a single dinner is fifty cents or the weekly price is $2.50. In order to make reservations for single meals persons must notify Miss Wooldrige by 5 o'clock.

The fees for rooms in the dormitory are $45 for each quarter. This includes room and dinner each day. For the remainder of this quarter the charge will be $32.

So far thirty girls have made reservations for rooms in the dormitory.

The winter quarter at the College will end Friday, March 2 and girls who have rooms will be allowed to occupy them until Sunday March 4.

Guests at DeVore Home

Mr. and Mrs. Lee DeVore had as their guests New Year's Day and Tuesday, John Piernoint of Wichita, Kan., and Mr. and Mrs. Alva Hunt of Harmony.

TWO MARYVILLE EXHIBITORS TO ENTER K. C. POULTRY SHOW

Judge J. H. Sayler and Mrs. J. H. Hamilton Enter Prizewinners—Sayler to Leave Tomorrow

Judge J. H. Sayler will leave in the morning for Kansas City to attend the Heart of America Poultry Show. Judge Sayler has an exhibit of pure bred Buff Wyandottes. Maryville will have another exhibitor at the show, Mrs. J. H. Hamilton having shipped an exhibit of Rose Comb White Leghorns. Both of these exhibitors won prizes at the Northwest Missouri Show held here recently.

Tomorrow afternoon in Kansas City, the place will be selected for the 1923 State Poultry Show. Moberly is making the strongest bid for the show, although Mr. Sayler will present Maryville's invitation to the committee.

PARIS CONFERENCE IS NEAR COLLAPSE

BREAKING POINT NEAR WITH PREMIERS THIS AFTERNOON.

BELGIAN MEDIATOR QUITS

Premier Theunis Gives Up, Saying 'Tis Impossible to Harmonize British and French Views.

Paris, Jan. 3—A wide divergance of views between the British and French as to the amount of reparation payment by the Germans and pledges to insure payments, brought the premiers conference to a verge of collapse this afternoon.

Premier Theunis of Belgium after attempting to mediate, gave up, declaring that Britain and France were so far apart on their viewpoints that it was useless to try to bring them together.

The second session was called to order at 3:10 this afternoon with Premier Poincare presiding. All of the delegates seemed to be in a gloomy frame of mind. Herr Bergmann, German economic expert, who brought fresh proposals to the conference from Chancellor Cuno, said he had not been appraised as to when his plans would be received. During the morning Prince Albert of Belgium conferred with President Millerand on the reparation question.

PICKERING I. O. O. F. HAS FEED AND INSTALLION OF OFFICERS

Maryville Lodge Attends in a Body And Assists With Putting On Third Degree Work

The members of the Maryville lodge, I. O. O. F. attended the installation of officers of the Pickering lodge last night in a body. Marion Smith, District Deputy Grand Master, conducted the installation services. He was assisted by a team from both lodges.

Following the installation, a banquet was served in the lodge rooms. Music at this banquet was furnished by a glee club with guitar, violin and piano accompaniment.

The third degree was conferred on a candidate furnished by the Maryville lodge after the banquet.

The officers installed last night were: noble grand, L. B. Carmichael; vice grand, Sheil Garten; recording secretary, Floyd Alexander; treasurer Frank Hinton; and financial secretary, Charles Hinton.

The Wilcox Lodge will hold its installation tomorrow night. Quitman Odd Fellows will install Friday night, Barnard next Monday night and Guilford next Tuesday night. A delegation from the Maryville Lodge will probably attend all of these installations.

Return to Sioux City

Miss Edna Dietz returned to Sioux City, Ia., yesterday to resume teaching in the public schools, after spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Dietz. Her sister, Mrs. John A. Staads, and Dr. Staads, who have been holiday guests at the Dietz home, returned to Sioux City this morning. Miss Helen McNellis and Miss Hester DeNeen, teachers in the Sioux City schools, also returned to Sioux City yesterday after spending the holidays in Maryville.

HARDING VETOES BURSUM BILL FOR INCREASE OF PENSIONS

Washington, D. C., Jan. 3—President Harding today vetoed the Bursum bill providing for increased pensions for veterans of the Civil War, Indian Wars and Mexican War.

TAKES POST AS ADJUTANT GENERAL

COL. PAUL P. NEWLON HEADS GUARD IN STATE OF COLORADO.

FORMERLY LIVED HERE

Brother of Fred Newlon of Maryville—Was Appointed by the Governor of Colorado.

Col. Paul P. Newlon, formerly a resident of Maryville and Clearmont, was recently appointed adjutant general of the State of Colorado and colonel of the 157th infantry by Governor Shoup of that state to succeed Col. Patrick J. Hamrock, resigned. Col. Newlon is a former deputy superintendent of the state rangers of Colorado and lieutenant colonel of the national guard. Col. Newlon is a brother of Fred Newlon of Maryville. His mother is Mrs. Flora Newlon of Clearmont, and he has two brothers, Ira and James Newlon, living at Clearmont.

Colonel Hamrock said of Colonel Newlon:

"Colonel Newlon is eminently fitted for the office of adjutant general and on a basis of experience and ability is probably the best selection that could have been made."

Colonel Newlon has served in the national guard since 1899, when he enlisted at Olney Springs, Colo. In 1911 he raised a company at Fowler, Colo., and was made captain, in which grade, he served during the coal strike of 1914. During the war Colonel Newlon was a major in the 157th infantry. He was appointed deputy superintendent of the rangers in September, 1920, and also was made lieutenant colonel in the national guard, having charge of the reorganization of the 157th regiment. He is married and has two children.

ANOTHER INSTRUCTOR ADDED TO WOMEN'S GARMENT SCHOOL

Class Was So Large That Miss Helen Briggs Is Summoned From the M. U. Extension Department.

An S. O. S. call was sent out last night from the garment school which opened yesterday at the Farm Bureau office. Each instructor from the University of Missouri extension department is supposed to take care of eight in her class, but sixteen leaders of various county clubs reported yesterday for instruction. Consequently a wire was sent to the University and this morning Miss Helen Briggs arrived to assist Miss Lois Martin in the work. The Farm Bureau office this morning looked like a dress making parlor and appeared to be the busiest place in town. The school of instruction is branching out into the Health Department's rooms across the hall and two separate schools will be conducted at the same time by Miss Martin and Miss Briggs.

Although there has been sixteen leaders in attendance there have been many visitors attending the school. Yesterday the women studied foundation patterns and today are taking up underg arments. Thursday they will study the house dress and Friday close with the use of the foundation pattern.

Miss Martin will go to Skidmore next week, where she will conduct a similar school of instruction. The school will either be held in Skidmore or at the Burr Oak Church.

Fifteen visitors had registered at the school this afternoon. They were Mrs. Brint Embree, Mrs. B. J. Clemens, Mrs. J. C. Taylor, Mrs. George Coulter, Mrs. Dave Neidel, Mrs. Orville Willhoyte, Mrs. Charles Wells, Mrs. John Lockhart, Mrs. Meek, Mrs. E. S. Fisher, Misses Dolly Clements Mary Taylor, Esther Russell, Rebecca Russell, Gertrude Wray and Margaret Bean.

TWO SUSPECTS TO K. C. BANK ROBBERY TAKEN IN ST. LOUIS

St. Louis, Jan. 3—Two officials today arrived from Kansas City to take charge of William G. McGray, 30, and Wesley Gibbons, 24, both wanted, of whom the police say, are wanted in connection with the $37,000 robbery of the Drovers National Bank of Kansas City and wounding of the bank guard.

McGray was arrested in a hospital suffering from rheumatism and Gibbons was taken in custody as he alighted from a taxi near the hospital.

Return From Wisconsin

Mrs. Vilas Martin and daughter, Beverly, returned this morning from a holiday visit in Lake Geneva, Wis., at the home of Mrs. Martin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Forrest.

ONLY ROUTINE BUSINESS IS DONE BY THE CITY COUNCIL

City Heads Pass on Bills and Approve Fire Truck Purchase at Last Night's Meeting

Only routine business was transacted last night at the first business meeting of the city council this year. Bills were allowed and other detail matters disposed of. The only ordinance passed was that approving the contract for the purchase of the new fire truck. Harry Mutz and C. R. Remus, councilmen and F. P. Robinson, mayor, were present at the meeting.

SIXTEEN BOYS AND GIRLS ENROLL IN PARNELL PIG CLUB

Purebred Pigs of Poland Chinas, Spotteds, Chester Whites, Durocs And Tamworths to be Raised

Sixteen enrollments to the Parnell Boys and Girls Pig Club, were received this morning by Roy A. Kinnaird, county agent. The enrollments included five different types of hogs to be raised during the year. The following are the enrollments:

Poland Chinas: Harold Hilton, John W. Kennedy, Jr., Marshall E. Kennedy; Spotted, Harley Garrard, Loren Garrard, Annie Auffert, John Auffert, Austin Hawk; Chester Whites, La Veta Meyers, Eda Porch, Willie Porch; Duroc Jerseys, Horace Jones, Pauline Jones, Dorris Gieskin, George Geiskin; Tamworth, Frank Jones.

All pigs to be raised will be purebreds and a purebred sale will be held next fall. The Parnell Club is the only one in the County to have a purebred sale.

DEMOLAY BOYS GIVE TWENTY RABBITS TO WELFARE BOARD

That Many Bunnies Were Left From Feed Last Night Before the Installation of Officers

More than twenty rabbits, baked to a turn and seasoned to taste, which were in excess at the De Molay rabbit feed last night, were this morning turned over to the Welfare Board and distributed among some of the poorer families in Maryville.

Forty men and boys were present at the rabbit supper which was held last night at the Pennington Restaurant. Of this number all present were either De Molays or Masons with the exception of several members of the State Teachers College basketball squad, who were guests of honor.

A loving cup was presented to John Phipps for having shot the largest number of rabbits in the hunt which was held Saturday and Monday. Phipps killed nineteen cottontails. Russell Allan was second with nine rabbits.

The installation of officers for the De Molay took place before the supper. Wilson McMurry as installation officer took charge of the work and the following new officers took their chairs: master councilor, Marion Gile; senior councilor, Maurice Chick; junior councilor, Ralph Wilson Eversole; senior deason, Simeon Wright; junior deacon, John Allan DeMott; senior steward, Vodre Willoughby; junior steward, Jarvis Bush; marshall, Harold O'Banion; standard bearer, William McDougal; chaplain, Townsend Godsey; almoner, Ermil Coler; and sentinel, Paul Robey.

HYDE REFUSES TO HONOR EXTRADITION FOR JOE WAGNER

St. Joseph, Jan. 3—Governor Hyde has refused to honor the extradition papers of Kansas for Joseph Wagner, wanted in that state for alleged participation in the Quindaro and Piper state banks.

FOUR MORE ENROLLMENTS IN THE BABY BEEF CLUB

Four more enrollments were received this morning for the Baby Beef Club by Roy A. Kinnaird, county farm agent. They are Homer Davison, Orville Davison, Robert Komer and Alice Komer.

Visitors at Tate Home

Mrs. R. H. Kreider of Des Moines, Ia., and Magnus Tate of Springfield, Mo., are visiting at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Tate on West Third street. Mrs. Kreider came Sunday night for an indefinite stay.

Chilton Robinson Leaves

Chilton Robinson, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Robinson, left yesterday for Des Moines, Ia., to resume his studies at Drake University.

Visit in Rock Port

Miss Alice Welling and Miss Ora Mae Condon went to Rock Port today to spend the remainder of the week as guests of Miss Hazel Hopkins.

TO BROADCAST FROM COLLEGE IN FUTURE

PRESIDENT LAMKIN ANNOUNCES INSTALLATION PLANS

ALSO RECEIVING SETS

To Be Installed at Residence Hall and Main Building—A Big Educational Value

As soon as the legislature allows the State Teachers College appropriation, a radio will be installed, Pres. Uel W. Lamkin of that institution announced this morning. Both a receiving and broadcasting station will be installed in the College building and a receiving set will be installed in the girls residence hall. It is Mr. Lamkin's idea to broadcast information, programs and statistics to the rural schools in the country around Maryville. In addition to football, basketball and baseball games, a track meet could be broadcasted. Market reports, addresses and musical programs could also be sent on the sound waves for the benefit of those in the country round who have receiving sets.

The installation of a broadcasting station at the College should prove a big thing, both for the College and for Northwest Missouri. Upon the installation of receiving sets in rural schools, the college could serve as an invaluable center for educational and entertaining features, not only for the schools but others as well. A broadcasting station at the College will place it in the rank of the universities and larger colleges.

TRAVELING MAN WAS HELD UP THIS MORNING

A Party of Three Took $110 to $135 From Curtis, 2 ½ Miles S. E. of Ravenwood

A holdup occurred about 10 o'clock this morning two and a half miles southeast of Ravenwood, when Mr. Curtis, a traveling man for the L. D. Price Mercantile Co., of St. Joseph, was held up and from $110 to $135 taken from him by a party of three men. Curtis, who travels in a car, was stopped by this party who said they wanted to borrow some gas. After Curtis got out of the car, one of the members of the party drew a gun on him and his money was then taken. The switch key of the Curtis car was also taken.

The bandit party was traveling in an old Dodge car and were going East. The license number of the car was not secured. Deputy Sheriffs, Leo Atherton and Purcell went to Ravenwood this afternoon but it was understood they have been unable to locate the parties.

Curtis after being held up had to walk about a half-mile to the nearest house to telephone the word in as he was unable to start his car as his switch key had been taken.

MAITLAND ENTERTAINERS TO BE NEXT LYCEUM NUMBER.

Trio of Young Men Will Furnish Entertainment Next Monday Night.

The next number of the lyceum course, sponsored by the Oxford Class of the First M. E. Church, will be given next Monday night at the church. This number will be the Maitland Entertainers, an artistic trio of young men who will give such numbers as violin, saxophone and piano, trios, vocal numbers and novelty sketches. These entertainers are said to be one of the top notchers on this year's lyceum program.

The entertainers consist of Thomas Baldridge, Walter Van Dyke and Hugh Studebaker.

FRANK SHORT WAS ADJUDGED INSANE BY THE COUNTY COURT

Frank Short of Burlington Junction was ordered taken to State Hospital No. 2 at St. Joseph as a county patient by the county court in session late this afternoon. Sheriff Steve Roach took Short to that institution this afternoon. Short is about 35 years old. The complaint was issued by Short's mother and his wife.

Return to Park College

Misses Odessa and Roberta Wells, who attend Park College, left this morning for Parkville to resume their studies after spending the Christmas vacation at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Wells, southwest of Maryville.

HENDERSON ALEY ELECTED TO HEAD THE LEGION

Name Committees to Look into Matter of Auxiliary and Membership Drive

At the annual election of officers of the James Edward Gray Post, American Legion, last night Henderson Aley was elected commander. The other officers elected were: vice-commander, Walter Todd; adjutant, Edward W. Gray; finance officer, Kyle Phares and Chaplain, the Rev. Joseph Cooper.

A committee composed of John Mutz, Rolf Raynor and E. A. Maynor was named to look into a membership drive and one composed of Mr. and Mrs. Blaine Archer, Dr. R. C. Person and Dr. L. E. Dean was named to look into the matter of a ladies auxiliary.

Following the election, a banquet was held at the Turner restaurant.

CAVALRY TROOPS NOW AT BASTROP

COMPANY ARRIVES TODAY TO AUGMENT GUARDSMEN

WITNESS STILL "LOST"

Tense Feeling in Louisiana Town Grows as Time for Preliminary Hearing Grows Near

Bastrop, La., Jan. 3—State government officials are playing a human game of checkers with the "will o' the wisp" authorities of the Ku Klux Klan in Mer Rouge parish today.

Troops of cavalry are patrolling this little town where the state will conduct an open hearing Friday on the brutal murder of Watt Daniels and Charles Richards last August by a "hooded mob." The cavalry arrived at early dawn this morning from Jennings, as re-inforcements for the three other companies of National Guards here to patrol the parish.

The feeling of tension, which has reigned over the countryside for the week, rose higher by the arrival of the mounted troops. Rumors, going from lip to lip, told of the launching of "sweeping wholesale arrests" of men connected with the "hooded mob" murders. Federal investigators, however, declared there would be no sensational round-up of suspects for the present. Attorney-General Coco, head of the state staff of prosecutors, is expected to arrive at Mer Rouge during the day for a conference with state and federal officers.

The disappearance of Harold Teegerstrom, 19-year-old youth and state witness, was as much of a mystery today as it was when he dropped out of sight, after being called to the door of his dwelling at Spyker, last Friday. Federal agents continue to declare that he was kidnapped by the Ku Klux Klan and spirited out of the state.

WIFE CHARGED WITH KILLING HUSBAND DENIES GUILT

Mrs. Lillian Knox This Morning Denies Guilt of Murdering Millionaire Husband

Hemphill, Texas, Jan. 3—"I am absolutely innocent of this terrible thing. I want my friends to know that I am guiltless and when the trial is over I shall convince them beyond doubt."

Breaking the silence for the first time since she was arrested on a charge of murdering her millionaire husband, Hiram Knox, Mrs. Lillian Knox talked a few hours this morning and made the above statement to an International News Service correspondent.

Hemphill, Tex., Jan. 3—Mrs. Lillian Knox, charged with the murder of her husband, Hiram Knox, was having her preliminary hearing this afternoon in the justice of peace court. Earlier in the day, attorneys for both sides had agreed upon a postponement for the preliminary, but plans suddenly were changed and the hearing called. Dr. W. T. Arnold, Katherine O'Keefe and Sebe Clark were called to the witness stand and gave much damaging evidence against the defendant.

SEARCH OF 2 VESSELS FAIL TO REVEAL GROVER BERGDOLL

Wilmington, Del., Jan. 3—The second vessel searched for Grover Cleveland Bergdoll, millionaire draft evader, failed to yield up the Philadelphian. The steamer Aquarius, from Bremen, was thoroughly searched by department of justice agents, who failed to find him aboard the ship.

FRANCE REJECTS BRITISH PROPOSALS

CHAMBER UNANIMOUS AGAINST ENGLAND'S OFFER

U. S. TO HAVE OBSERVER

Myron T. Herrick, American Ambassador to France Will Watch Proceedings at Premiers Conference

Paris, Jan. 3—The French cabinet at a meeting before noon today held that the British reparation plan was not acceptable to France in its present form. When the premiers conference opened today both the Italian and Belgium delegates were making efforts to find a common basis on which the British and French could begin negotiations.

The chief trouble from the French viewpoint is that the British proposal does not give enough protection to France. The decision of the Council to reject the British proposal was unanimous. President Millerand presided over the Council.

"The Biritish plan reduces considerably the sums due France," declared a Council spokesman, "It contains complete abandonment of the essential clauses of the treaty of Versailles." Expert military authorities continue to examine plans for the occupation of German soil in event France acts alone in Germany.

Premier Poincare has informed the British that the plan presented by Premier Andrew Bonar Law, is not discussable from the French view without previously being presented and studied by the Chamber of Deputies. British experts worked until after midnight last night examining the French plans in an endeavor to meet the French view.

The United States may have an observer at the conference in the person of Myron T. Herrick, American ambassador to France. He is on his way from French Riveria to watch the proceedings at the conference and to report to the State Department. France's hope lies in the Italian-Belgium mediation work, for they know that an Anglo-French rupture would spell disaster in the near East conference. The French hope that the rupture can be avoided but this hope is not general.

331 CARS OF LIVE STOCK SHIPPED OVER BURLINGTON

That Many Cars Sent by Local Station of Railroad—223 Cars Were Hogs

Three hundred and thirty-one cars of live stock were shipped from the local station of the Burlington during the year 1922. Of the total, there were 223 cars of hogs, ninety-two cars of cattle, nine cars of horses and seven cars of sheep.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH TEAM WILL PLAY XENIA BASKETEERS

Game Will be Played Tonight at High School Gym.—Maryville Has Defeated Xenia Once

The basketball team of A. S. Robey's Sunday School class of the First Christian Church will clash with team from Xenia at the High School gymnasium tonight. The Maryville team will be composed of Ernest Ellis, Lavell Smith, John Smith, Walter Smith, Earl Bratcher, Gerald Keefe, LaVerne Robey and Oren Masters. The Xenia team will be composed of Paul Smith, Doyle Smith, Leslie Smith, Dale Coleman, Murrel Coleman and Harry Davis. Leslie Smith and Dale Coleman are members of the Pickering team which won the county basketball tournament in Maryville.

At a game earlier in the year the Maryville boys defeated Xenia 24 to 20.

The Misses Bookman Leave

Miss Ruth Bookman, who has been spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bookman, left this morning for Rockford, Ill., where she will resume her studies at Rockford College. Her sister, Miss Gladys Bookman, returned to the University of Iowa at Iowa City Monday.

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* THE WEATHER FORECAST *

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Fair to-night and probably Thursday; rising temperature Thursday and in the west portion to-night.

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LARGEST CIRCULATION IN NODAWAY COUNTY

NODAWAY AGRI. FILMS HAVE EIGHT JANUARY DATES

First 1923 Showing Will Be at Highland Southwest, Friday Night—Miss Nettie Rose Teacher

The Chamber of Commerce has eight film dates during January for the Nodaway County Agricultural films. These dates will carry Secretary Pickens into every part of the County. The first date is Friday night, when the pictures will be shown at the Highland School, southwest of Maryville. A short program will be given under the direction of Miss Nettie Rose, teacher. After the pictures a lunch will be served by the patrons.

The following are the dates for January:

January 5, Highland School, Miss Nettie Rose, teacher.

January 9, Gaynor School, Miss Eulalia Kysar, teacher.

January 12, Baker School, Miss Mable Chapman, teacher.

January 16, Bristle Ridge School, Conception Junction.

James R. Graham, teacher.

January 19, Albright, Miss Zona Hoyt, teacher.

January 23, Miller School, southwest of Graham, Mrs. Vesta Vulgamont, teacher.

January 26, Elm Grave School, Mrs. Golda Farnon, teacher.

January 30, Maple Grove Church, Hopkins, Miss Bessie McKee, made arrangements.

MORE PROTECTION TO HEALTH

Missouri Brought to a Level With Other States Last Year

Jefferson City, Jan. 3—The state board of health has made greater advances in the protection and promotion of health in Missouri in the years 1921 and 1922 than any other state, according to the bi-ennial report of Dr. Cortez Enloe, secretary of the board, to Governor Hyde.

Missouri, for the first time in its history, has been brought to a level with other states, the report declares. Education clinics for the poor and the control of epidemics are activities listed in Dr. Enloe's report.

Diphtheria cases have been reduced during the bi-ennial period. Typhoid and tuberculosis has been cut down and an active campaign against malarial fever has been carried on.

Clinics for the early detection of persons suffering from the "white plague" have been established and instructions given on the proper defense for the patient and public. Nurses have been employed to follow up this work and advise on the proper mode of living and treatment.

Yankee Ingenuity

An executive, who is just back from Europe was extolling the virtues of the American salesman, his initiative, his persistence and, most of all, his resourcefulness.

"Why," he said, "in a French restaurant the other day a Yankee automobile salesman snapped his finger at a sleekly polished gentleman in a dress suit. 'Gossong'—he called out, but it developed the waiter was not a waiter but a noble guest who promptly laid his card on the table and challenged the Detroiter to a duel at daybreak.

"Later, when the salesman learned that the incensed Monsieur was manager of a prominent Paris theater, unabashed, he took a friend, wrote the figure '2' with a ring around it on the back of the card, presented it at the box office, and got, in addition to superlative courtesy, two of the best seats in the house."

Not too bad, eh! what?—The Nation's Business.

NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS.

All monthly city subscriptions are now due. These must be paid in advance the first of the month to get the monthly rate. Be sure to pay only your carrier boy, who is authorized to collect, or at this office.

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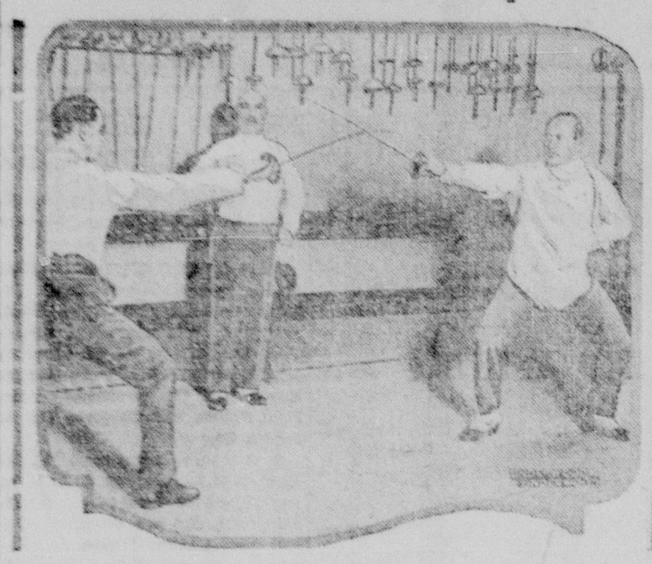
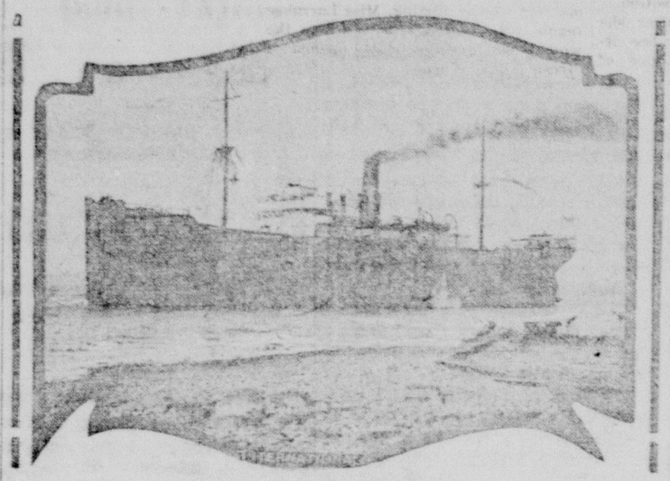
How Benito Mussolini Keeps Fit



Only a very courageous political opponent would challenge the premier of Italy to a duel, for Benito Mussolini is a skillful swordsman and keeps in the pink of condition by a daily bout. He is here seen (right) engaged in his morning exercise.

Boston Harbor Has British Wreck



Though her crew struggled desperately to save her, the British steamer Manchester Spinner grounded on the westerly side of Long Island, Boston harbor. A fifty-mile gale started the anchors dragging and the steam windlass went out of commission when it was called into play to avert the accident. The vessel was abandoned.

SEE CHURCH PUBLICITY VALUE.

Newspapers Can Aid Religion, Chicago Federation Finds.

Chicago, Jan. 3.—Newspaper publicity, through news stories and paid advertising, was indorsed in a public statement by a committee representing the Chicago Church Federation.

"The most effective way to reach the crowd and interest them in the church is through the daily newspaper in cities of 1-4 million or more," the report said.

Other excerpts from the committee's announcement said:

"One metropolitan church increased its collection to $22,000 in two years, certain other smaller churches showing a proportionate increase.

"Advertising lifts the standard of preaching and service in order to make good and come up to the advertising.

"Magazines spend large sums in taking page advertisements in the daily newspapers. It pays, or they would not do it."

WEATHER BUREAU WORKS WITH OTHER FEDERAL DEPARTMENTS

The Weather Bureau of the United States Department of Agriculture cooperates with other Federal departments in many ways, thus avoiding duplication of activity in different bureaus. Its Marine Division, for example, collects reports from ships at sea and prepares charts of the weather in various waters for the use of pilots; these charts are printed, together with other information of value to ship captains, by the Hydrographic Office of the Navy Department.

Its aerological investigations supply information of a practical nature to Artillery, aviation, and other interests concerned with conditions in the upper air. In studies of wind velocities the Weather Bureau works cooperatively with the Bureau of Standards, which has several wind tunnels for this purpose. Recently arrangements have been made whereby the Weather Bureau will send a representative to Air Service stations of the War Department to deliver lectures on meteorological subjects. The first of these lectures were given on November 15 and 16 at Langley Field, Va., before a number of officers taking a course of training at the tactical school.

First Class Free Land Gone.

The era of free first class land in the United States has passed, according to the United States Department of Agriculture. Nearly half the area of continental United States is not in farms. Of this area, 40,000,000 acres are absolute desert or too rugged to cultivate, 270,000,000 acres are occupied by forests and cut over land, and 600,000,000 acres are in the semi-arid West and suitable only for grazing.

Read Democrat-Forum Want Ads.

Rheumatism Cure or Soap.

Under the heading "How Not to Advertise," the official Canadian Commercial Intelligence Journal cites, for the benefit of its export readers, the following "example horrible" taken from present day British experience!

Quite recently the manufacturers of a largely advertised British soap (writes a friend in Barcelona to a correspondent of the Manchester Guardian Commercial) arranged with leading stores for entire windows to display their goods. The packets of soap attracted considerable attention, curiosity was aroused, and crowds eagerly examined the novelty. At the back of the goods were large advertisements of the peculiar merits of the soap, but all printed in English. Not one in the crowd knew a word of English, and the product was thoroughly discussed. Some proclaimed it a new edible (it was in powdered form) ,others an effervescing drink, whilst an elderly lady who looked and posed as an authority unhesitatingly pronounced it as a splendid cure for rheumatism. Sales have not been up to expectations.—The Nation's Business.

Many Potatoes Grown

Production of potatoes this year in 16 countries is estimated to be 675,000,000 bushels more than last year and 40,000,000 more than the average production for the five years 1909-1913, according to figures compiled by the United States Department of Agriculture. The total acreage of Potatoes in 1922 for the 24 countries for which estimates are available was 20,261,000 acres.

When traffic stops, light your STROLLERS
They've got the PEP
10¢ fifteen cigarettes

A Movie Star in Every Package

THERE'S MONEY TO BE SAVED IN WASTE PAPER.

That the economy of reworking waste paper is being realized to a greater extent as time advances is indicated by the fact that during the year 1922 United States paper mill interests spent more than $50,000,000 for waste paper. This amount of money shows an increase of $20,000,000 over the sum expended for waste paper during the previous year. Here is real progress, indeed.

This saving of $50,000,000 means that money was acutally picked up from waste bins, ash cans and from the gutters of public highways. Had this vast quantity of waste paper been burned or destroyed in other ways it would have meant the loss of the big sum mentioned. In truth it would have meant a far greater loss than that, as it would have caused the further depletion of American forests, a loss which never could be regained.

Some idea of the damage that has been spared the American forests may be understood from the figures representing the consumption of waste paper by the United States paper mills during the year 1922. These figures are 1,963,000 tons, or 3,926,000,000 pounds! This waste paper was reconverted into various kinds of new paper and board. The old magazines were turned into book papers; the old newspapers and mixed papers were made over into pulp boards of the kinds used for the manufacture of paper boxes.

Although great savings have already been accomplished by the collection and reworking of waste paper, it is a startling fact that every year millions of dollars worth of waste paper is being destroyed by the people in general. Untold tons of magazines, newspapers, old wrapping paper, etc, are cast into fires or thrown into the streets. The people who cause this loss little realize that they are inflicting a serious injury to the forests, as many noble trees will have to be cut down to replace that loss.—The Nation's Business.

TO EXCHANGE CROP NEWS WITH EGYPT BY RADIO

Arrangements for the interchange of crop reports on cotton and wheat in the United States and Egypt is announced by the United States Department of Agriculture. As rapidly as crop reports on acreage and forecasts are available in each country the news will be dispatched at once by cable or radio to the other country.

Immediately on receipts of the Egyptian news, the reports will be broadcast throughout the United States by telegraph and radio. The new plan is expected to cut to a minimum the time formerly consumed in placing important crop news in the hands of American farmers.

COMMUNICATION

Shirts Are to Be Longer

Hopkins, Mo., Jan. 2.

Editor Democrat-Forum—In looking over the Hopkins Journal last week we noticed that men's suits were to be higher priced in the spring on account of the high tariff and were somewhat worried but on second notice we saw where shirts were to be longer than the Wilson shirt and so felt better, thinking if these war times get as hard on us as Teeth R's., money panic was we might get a shirt long enough and just a robe.

(Moral) Never any great loss but what there is some small gain.

A Subscriber.

Forumettes

It is a safe bet to believe
Nothing a man says of himself
And only about half what he
Says about his neighbors.

The New Year's resolutions continue to fall thick in the blast.

A lot of us have a sneaking opinion if our support were removed this old world would sag a little at some point.

It may be that the other fellow who does not see things just as we see them has better eyesight or a better pair of glasses.

Some one suggested to us the other day that since the Radio boots did not have any flaps to attract attention the girls should tie a sleigh bell to each boot.

The only reason we don't like to compare some people with certain animals is because we have too much respect for the animals.

Diamond rings sparkling on the left hands of many a stenographer is causing many an office manager to worry about new help.

Uncle Abner says the reason some people are unable to live within their means is because they have not means enough.

There is no wiser man than the one who knows enough to attend to his own business.

Our stenographer informs us that she can't walk so fast in the new long skirts as in the short ones so she has to start to work about ten minutes earlier to get to work on time.

Louise, the stenographer, says too often the booby prize goes to the people who were expecting the capital award, especially in the marriage lottery.

It must be exasperating to a child to tell his parents the truth and have them think he is lying.

Vagrant Musings

What would the neighbor women do if there were no gossip floating around.

A lot of people we know must have been born with monkey glands.

If you can't be sure you are right the next best thing is to think you are right.

The secret of getting ahead often lies in making the best of what you have.

A woman with a nasty temper can blame it to nerves but with a man it is different.

Heard On the Street Corners

"There goes Blank in his new car. If I was as crooked as he is I would have a whole garage full of cars. He makes 400 per cent on everything he sells. Said by Mr. I Would Do The Same If I Had The Chance.

Much Butter Made

More than a billion and a half pounds of butter was produced in the United States during 1921, according to the United States Department of Agriculture. This is an increase of 10½ per cent over the production in 1920. Consumption increased more than production by 20,000,000 pounds, the difference being taken care of by imports and butter withdrawn from cold storage.

Regarding the Price of Tires

Two weeks ago we announced that tire prices would advance—since that time nearly every reputable company has advanced prices to cover greatly increased cost of material.

Having a large stock of tires on hand, we have been selling tires at old prices—we have had the largest sale of new tires for any December in our business history.

In many sizes our stock is getting low—we can not promise any definite time to furnish tires at these low prices. It will pay you to buy the tires you need right now.

DIAMOND TIRES

30x3 plain	$ 7.25
30x3 double Diamond	$ 7.95
30x3 Squeegee	$ 8.50
30x3½ double Diamond	$ 8.95
30x3½ Squeegee	$10.50
30x3½ Diamond cord	$11.85
31x4 Squeegee fabric	$16.50
32x4 Squeegee fabric	$17.50
33x4 Squeegee fabric	$18.00
34x4 Squeegee fabric	$18.50
32x3½ Squeegee fabric	$14.75
32x3½ Diamond cord	$19.50
32x4 Diamond cord	$25.00
33x4 Diamond cord	$25.90
34x4 Diamond cord	$26.50
32x4½ Diamond cord	$32.45
34x4½ Diamond cord	$33.50

Kramer Tire Co.

Maryville, Mo.

26 Jersey Cows at Auction

I will sell at the Star Barn, Maryville,

Saturday, Jan. 6, 1923

26 HEAD OF CHOICE JERSEY COWS—They are an exceptionally fine lot of young cows, from the best dairy section in Illinois. These cows are mostly all fresh or are heavy springers. They are tubercular tested and will sure suit you.

SALE STARTS AT 1 O'CLOCK, PROMPT

as Hosmer's Monthly Sale follows immediately after this sale.

C. R. McMillan

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"Save surely, steadily and wisely, so as to be able to spend judiciously in a time of need which will probably be greater than that of the present."

We welcome new accounts of One Dollar or more. We have a Bank Book waiting for you.

Oldest bank in the county. More than fifty years of service. Liberty Bonds bought and sold.

4% ON SAVINGS DEPOSITS

NODAWAY VALLEY BANK
Maryville, Mo.

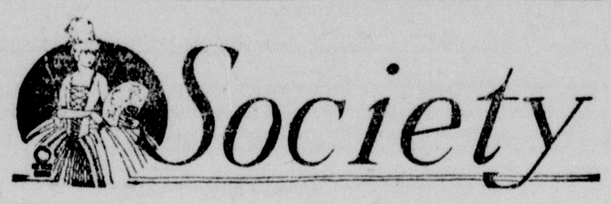
Hosmer's Monthly Sale

Gray's Pavilion, Maryville, Saturday, Jan. 6th

This sale will start immediately after the JERSEY COW SALE AT THE STAR BARN WHICH STARTS AT 1 O'CLOCK PROMPT.

What do you want to sell? HORSES, MULES, CATTLE, HOGS, SHEEP—first listed, first sold. List it now!

R. P. HOSMER, "The Auctioneer"



Birthday Dinner

Mr. and Mrs. Ova Baker entertained with a birthday dinner Sunday at their home, South of Maryville, it being the birthday of their little daughter, Helen Genevieve, and her grandmother, Mrs. George Baker. Those present at dinner were Mr. and Mrs. George Baker and daughters, Gladys and Edith and sons, Frank and Dean, Clara Martha and Helen Baker and the hosts.

Entertain at Bridge

Mr. and Mrs. Forrest T. Gillam entertained at bridge last night at their home on North Market street. The game was played at five tables and the favors for high score were won by Mrs. June Blagg and Byron Costello.

Doran Dinner Party

Mr. and Mrs. William Doran and daughter, Miss Elizabeth Doran, entertained a number of guests at dinner Sunday at their home on South Vine street. The guests included Mr. and Mrs. Edward Doran and sons, Francis, Edward and Fred of Ravenwood and their holiday guests, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hawling and children, Mary, Lida and Fred of Severance, Kan.; John Allen and daughter, Margaret of Conception Junction, Eugene Malone of Minot, N. Dak., a student at Conception College, Miss Katherine Vaughn, and Clifford Dice.

Mrs. Larmer Hostess

Mrs. Robert Larmer entertained the Mutual Improvement Circle at her home on North Buchanan street yesterday afternoon. Devotions were led by the hostess and the roll call was answered with current events. The first of three programs on the Bible was given, the opening number being a paper on "The Israelites from Adam to Joshua" by Mrs. George Moore. The musical numbers included a piano duet by Mary Elizabeth Jones and Virginia Larmer and an instrumental solo by Virginia Larmer. Mrs. J. W. Ray gave a reading "Jepthah's Daughter," and an original short story was told by Mrs. Walter Mutz. The meeting was well attended. The study of the Bible will be continued at the next meeting January 16 at the home of Mrs. I. E. Tulloch.

House Party at Graham

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Freytag were hosts at a house party during the holidays in honor of their niece, Miss Hazel Waugh, who attends Coe College in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. The invited guests were Miss Helen Renner, Edgar Renner, and Ralph Long of St. Joseph, and Miss Gladys and John Sewell, Jr., of Maryville. Saturday the party, with their hosts, were dinner guests of Dr. and Mrs. E. L. Morgan, and later enjoyed a line party at the Peerless Theater. Monday they were entertained at dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Geyer.

Card Party.

A card party was given last night at the Parish Hall in Conception under the auspices of the Social and Study Hour Club. Miss Lillian Fisher received the prize for the women at progressive pitch and the men's prize was awarded James Meyer. Refreshments were served at the close of the games.

Moore Dinner Guests

Mrs. Nannie Moore and son, Everett, has as their dinner guests today at their home, 301 East Third street, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Wamsley, Mrs. Eva Murray and Mrs. Nettie Warren.

Westminster Guild Party.

The Westminster Guild of the First Presbyterian Church gave a farewell party last night at the home of Mrs. Charles A. Jensen on West Fifth street for Miss Margaret Lee Winston and Miss Leona Willard, who leave tonight to spend two months in Los Angeles, Cal. The evening was spent in charades and contests and refreshments were served. The guests of honor were presented with a box containing notes of good wishes from the members to be read while en route to California. Those present, besides the honor guests and the hostess, were Mrs. R. C. Person, Mrs. Emery Airy, Mrs. S. P. Allison, Mrs. Luther A. Richman, Mrs. D. E. Hotchkin, Mrs. Robert Kerr, Mrs. Fred French, Mrs. Frank Crom of Rushville, Nebr., Miss Nora Ritze, Miss Neva Sage, Miss Nell Hudson, Miss Theresa Carstens, Miss May Anthony, Miss Nena Bingaman, Miss Dessa Gault and Miss Helen Todd.

To Install Officers

Alert Rebekah Lodge, No. 209, will install officers Thursday evening, January 4. All officers are requested to be present.

New Year's Dance

The Frolickers Club gave its annual New Year's dance Monday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Linville in Skidmore. The holiday colors prevailed in the house decorations and appointments of the two-course supper. Music for the latter part of the program dance was furnished by radio. Those present were Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Manning, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Wells, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wells, Miss Ella Manchester, Misses Alice and Agnes Barrett, Miss Margaret Norton, Misses Grace and Blanche Foster, Miss Lucile Linville, Ralph Keefer, Frank and Harold Roelofson of Maryville, Dean Goslee, Rollo Howden, Adrain Hoblitzell, Harold Hart and the hosts.

The club will hold its next meeting January 16 when Miss Margaret Norton will entertain the members at 1 o'clock luncheon.

Elect New Officers.

Mrs. Angie Briggs was elected president of the Friendship Class of the First Baptist Church last night at the regular meeting at the home of Mrs. J. D. England on West Second street. Miss Jennie Ringgold was elected first vice-president; Mrs. Bert Sherman, second vice president; Mrs. J. D. England, third vice president; Mrs. Ed Wallace, treasurer; Mrs. C. M. Shelton, secretary, and Mrs. James Cummings, reporter. The class members in attendance were Mrs. Nick Wagner, Mrs. Katherine Jackson, Mrs. Angie Briggs, Mrs. Ed Wallace, Miss Jennie Ringgold, Mrs. C. M. Shelton and the hostess.

Meet at Matter Home

Twenty members attended the meeting of the Young Women's Foreign Missionary Society of the First Methodist Church at the home of Miss Ruth Matter on South Mulberry street last night. The assisting hostesses were Mrs. C. C. Leeson, Mrs. C. D. Kutschinski, and Miss Jennie Garrett. Mrs. Guy Haller led the devotionals, and Mrs. G. E. Brumbaugh, president of the society, presided at the business meeting. A program on China was given under the direction of Mrs. W. W. Stanfield, leader. Following the program a social hour and refreshments were enjoyed. The visitors for the evening were Mrs. Charles Sickels of Springfield, Mo., a guest at the home of her parents, Dr. and Mrs. C. C. James; Miss Minnie B. James, Miss Gladys Ford, Miss Lucile Airy and Marjorie Curnutt.

Beery-Wallace.

Miss Gertrude Beery of Prescott, Ia., and Jesse James Wallace of Clearmont were married at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon at the First Christian Church in Maryville. The Rev. R. E. Snodgrass performed the ceremony.

Report of Maryville Chapter.

The following report of the Maryville Chapter, D. A. R., appears in the January number of the Daughters of the American Revolution Magazine which is published monthly for the society by the J. B. Lippincott Company at Philadelphia:

"Maryville Chapter had a splendid period of work during the past two years, under the regency of Miss Mary Q. Evans. We have been especially interested in establishing a memorial avenue of hard maple trees on the campus of the Northwest Missouri State Teachers College in our city. This is a memorial to the forty-four Nodaway County boys who made the supreme sacrifice in the World War. On the pillars at the entrance to the avenue of forty-four trees are placed bronze tablets bearing the names of the heroes. This avenue was established by the D. A. R. at a cost of over $2,000. Each of the four pillars is surmounted by two bronze lamps.

"One of the principal additions we have made to our scrapbook is the war record, together with the picture of each of the husbands, sons and brothers of our Chapter members who served in the World War.

"We were the instigators of the movement which resulted in the placing of a marker on the site of the first house built in Maryville. This marker, bearing bronze tablet, was unveiled at the celebration of the Missouri Centennial, on which occasion we also participated in the parade with an historical float.

"Believing that our flag should be in all schools to incite patriotism, we presented a beautiful silk flag to the Northwest Missouri State Teachers College. This year we presented two medals to school children for efficiency in United States History.

"On County School Day, in October, we awarded a ten-dollar gold piece to the rural school showing the best float depicting an incident in United States history during the Revolutionary Period.

"We have secured Immigrant's Manuals and Correct Use of the Flag leaflets and placed them in the hands of the court to be handed to each immigrant upon application for naturalization.

"Along the line of civic work we have full care of an old cemetery which lies in the heart of the city and have joined with other organizations in beautifying the court house yard and maintaining a public rest room.

"Our regular programs have dealt with current issues and each year we observe Washington's Birthday with a church service on the Sunday nearest February 22 and a special social affair on the 22nd. Flag Day is appropriately observed each year by our Chapter.

"Mrs. C. H.) Beulah Craig Coe,
"Historian."

New Year's Dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Van Velson entertained with a three-course dinner New Year's day in honor of their aunt, Mrs. Minerva Terrell of Peoria, Ill. Plates were laid for Mrs. Terrell, Mr. and Mrs. George Spurgeon, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. McDowell, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Van Velson, Mr. and Mrs. Otha McDowell and son, Otha Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Chambers and the hosts. Following the dinner a social time and music were enjoyed.

Empire Theatre

Tonight and Tomorrow

10c 27-3c

Wallace Reid in "The Dictator"

Also Comedy.

Friday

10c 20-2c

Marian Davies, in "BRIDE'S PLAY."

Also Comedy.

Saturday

10c 20-2c

William Russell, in "THE CRUSADER."

Also Comedy.

A PLEASANT PLACE FOR GENTLE FOLKS.

VITAMINES

essential health building factors have always been in cod-liver oil and *account for its helpfulness* in overcoming malnutrition.

Scott's Emulsion

should be taken for a reasonable length of time daily to enable its rich, vitamine nourishing virtues *to help refresh, energize and build up the body.*

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The Society Editor

By WILLIAM ALLEN WHITE

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THEY say that in the newspaper offices of the city men work in ruts; that the editorial writer never reports an item, no matter how much he knows of it; that a repoter is not allowed to express an editorial view of a subject, even though he be well qualified to speak; but on our little country daily newspaper it is entirely different. We work on the interchangeable point system. Everyone writes items, all of us get advertising and job-work when it comes our way, and when one of us writes anything particularly good, it is marked for the editorial page. The religious reporter does the racing matinee in Wildwood park, and the financial editor, who gets the market reports from the feed-store men, also gets any church news that comes along.

The only time we ever established a department was when we made Miss Larrabee society editor. She came from the high school, where her graduating essay on Kipling attracted our attention, and, after an office council had decided that a Saturday society page would be a paying proposition.

At first, for six months after she came to the office, Miss Larrabee devoted herself to the accumulation of professional pride. This pride was as much a part of her life as her pompadour, which at that time was so high that she had to tiptoe to reach it. However she managed to keep it up was the wonder of the office. Finally, we all agreed that she must use chicken-fence. She denied this, but was inclined to be good-natured about it, and, as an office joke, the boys used to leave a step-ladder by her desk so that she could climb up and see how her top-knot really looked. Nothing ruffled her spirits, and we soon quit teasing her and began to admire her work. In addition to filling six columns of the Saturday's paper with her society report in a town where a church social is important enough to justify publishing the names of those who wait on the tables, Miss Larrabee was a credit to the office.

She was always invited to the entertainments at the homes of the Worthingtons and the Conklins, who had stationary washtubs in the basements of their houses and who ate dinner instead of supper in the evening; and when she put on what the boys called her trotting harness, her silk petticoats rustled louder than any others at the party. One day she suddenly dropped her pompadour and appeared with her hair parted in the middle and doused over her ears in long, undulating billows. No other girl in town came within a quarter of an inch of Miss Larrabee's dare. When straight fronts became stylish, Miss Larrabee was a vertical marvel, and when she rolled up her sleeves and organized a country club, she referred to her shoes as boots and took the longest steps in town. But with it all she was no mere clothes-horse. We drilled it into her head during her first two weeks that "society" news in a country town means not merely the doings of the cut-glass set, but that it means as well the doings of the Happy Hoppers, the Trundle-Bed Trash, the Knights of Columbus, the Rathbone Sisters, the King's Daughters, the Epworth league, the Christian Endeavorers, the Woman's Relief corps, the Ladies' Aid and the Home Missionary societies. Miss Nelson's Dancing class, the Switchmen's Annual ball—if we get their job-work—and every kindred, every tribe, except such as gather in what is known as "kitchen sweats" and occasionally send in call for the police. When Miss Larrabee got this into her head she began to groan under her burden, and by the end of the year, though she had great pride in her profession, she affected to loathe her department.

Weddings were her especial abominations. When the first social cloud appeared on the horizon indicating the approach of a series of showers for the bride which would culminate in a cloudburst at some stone church, Miss Larrabee would begin to rumble like distant thunder and, as the storm grew thicker, she would flash out crooked chain-lightning imprecation on the heads of the young people, their fathers and mother and uncles and aunts. By the day of the wedding she would be rolling a steady diapason of polite, decolorized, expurgated, ladylike profanity.

While she sat at her desk writing the stereotyped account of the event, it was like picking up a live wire to speak to her. As she wrote, we could tell at just what stage she had arrived in her copy. Thus, if she said to the adjacent atmosphere, "What a whopper!" we knew that she had written, "The crowning glory of a happy fortnight of social gatherings found its place when——" and when she hissed out, "Mortgaged clear to the eaves and full of installment furniture!" we felt that she had reached a point something like this: "After the ceremony the gay party assembled at the palatial home." In a moment she would snarl: "I am dead tired of seeing Mrs. Merriman's sprawly old fern and the Bosworth palm. I wish they would stop lending them!" and then we realized that she had reached the part of her write-up which said: "The chancel rail was banked with a profusion of palms and ferns and rare tropical plants." She always groaned when she came to the "simple and impressive ring ceremony." When she wrote: "The distinguished company came forward to offer congratulations to the newly-wedded pair," she would say as she sharpened her pencil-point: "There's nothing like a wedding to reveal what a raft of common kin people have," and we knew that it was all over and that she was closing the article with: "A dazzling array of costly and beautiful presents was exhibited in the library," for then she would pick up her copy, dog-ear the sheets, and jab them on the hook as she sighed: "Another great American pickle-dish exhibit ended."

In the way she did two things Miss Larrabee excited the wonder and admiration of the office. One was the way that she kept tab on brides. We heard through her of the brides who could cook, and of those who were beginning life by accumulating a bright little pile of tin cans in the alley. She knew the brides who could do their own sewing and those who could not. She had the single girl's sniff at the bride who wore her trousseau season after season, made over and fixed up, and she gave the office the benefit of her opinion of the husband in the case who had a new tailor-made suit every fall and spring. She scented young married troubles from afar, and we knew in the office whether his folks were edging upon her, or her people were edging upon him. If a young married man danced more than twice in one evening with anyone but his wife, Miss Larrabee made faces at his back when he passed the office window, and if she caught a young married woman flirting, Miss Larrabee regaled us by telling with whom the woman in question had opened a "fresh bottle of emotions."

The other way in which Miss Larrabee displayed genius for her work was in describing women's costumes. Three of four times a year, when there are large social gatherings, we print descriptions of the woman's gowns. Only three women in our town, Mrs. Worthington, Mrs. Conklin, and the second Mrs. Markley, have more than one new party dress in a twelve-month, and most of the women make a party gown last two or three years. Miss Larrabee was familiar with every dress in town. She knew it made over, and no woman was cunning enough to conceal the truth even with a spangled yoke, a chiffon bertha, or a net overdress; yet Miss Larrabee would describe the gown, not merely twice, but half a dozen times, so that the woman wearing it might send the description to her relatives back East without arousing their suspicion that she was wearing the same dress year after year. Therefore, whenever Miss Larrabee wrote up the dresses worn at a party, we were sure to sell from fifty to a hundred extra papers. She could so turn a breastpin and a home-made point-lace handkerchief tucked in the front of a good old lady's best black satin into "point-lace and diamonds," that they were always good for a dozen copies of the paper, and she never overlooked the dress of the wife of a good advertiser, no matter how plain it might be.

She was worth her wages to the office merely as a compendium of shams. She knew whether the bridal couple, who announced that they would spend their honeymoon in the East, were really going to Niagara Falls, or whether they were going to spend a week with his relatives in Decatur, Ill. She knew every woman in town who bought two prizes for her whist party—one to give if her friend should win the prize, and another to give if the woman she hated should win. With the diabolical eye of a fiend she detected the woman who was wearing the dry-cleaned cast-off clothing of her sister in the city. What she saw the office knew, though she kept her conclusions out of the paper if they would do any harm or hurt anyone's feelings. No pretender ever dreamed that she was not fooling Miss Larrabee. She was willing to agree most sympathetically with Mrs. Conklin who insisted that the "common people" wouldn't be interested in the list of names at her party; and the only place where we ever saw Miss Larrabee's claw in print was in the insistent misspelling of the name of a woman who had made it a point to ridicule the paper.

We have had other girls around the office since Miss Larrabee left, but they do not seem to get the work done with any system. She was not only industrious but practical. Friday mornings, when her work piled up, instead of fussing around the office and chattering at the telephone, she would dive into her desk and bring up her regular list of adjectives. These she would copy on three slips, carefully dividing the list so that no one had a duplicate, and in the afternoon each of the boys received a slip with a list of parties, and with instructions to scatter the adjectives she had given him through the accounts of the parties assigned to him—and the work was soon done. There was no scratching the head for synonyms for "beautiful," "superb" or "elegant." Miss Larrabee had doled out to each of us the adjectives necessary, and, given the adjectives, society reporting is easy. The editing of the copy is easy also, for one does not have to remember whether or not the refreshments were "delicious" at the Jones party when he sees the word in connection with the viands at the Smith party. No two parties were ever "elegant" the same week. No two events were "charming." No two women were "exquisitely" gowned. The person who was assigned the adjective "delightful" by Miss Larrabee might stick it in front of a luncheon, pin it on a hostess, or use it for an evening's entertainment. But he could use it only once. And with a list of those present and the adjectives thereunto appertaining, even a boy could get up a column in half an hour. She had an artist's pride in the finished work, however much she might dislike the thing in making, and she used to sail down to the press-room as soon as the paper was out, and, picking up the paper from the folder, she would stand reading her page, line upon line, precept upon precept, though every word and syllable was familiar to her.

During her first year she joined the Woman's State Press club, but she discovered that she was the only real worker in the club and never attended a second meeting. She told us that

"Miss Larrabee Made Faces at His Back When He Passed the Office Window"

too many of the women wore white stockings and low shoes, read their own unpublished short stories, and regarded her wide-shouldered shirtwaist and melodramatic openwork hosiery with suspicion and alarm.

As the years passed, and wedding after wedding sizzled under her pen, she complained to us that she was beginning to be called "auntie" in too many houses, and that the stock of available young men who didn't wear their handkerchiefs under their collars at the dances had dwindled down to three. This reality faces every girl who lives in a country town. Then she is left with two alternatives: to go visiting or to begin bringing them up by hand.

Miss Larrabee went visiting. At the end of a month she wrote: "It's all over with me. He is a nice fellow, and has a job doing 'Live Topics About Town' here on the Sun. Give my job to the little Wheatly girl, and tell her to quit writing poetry, and hike up her dress in the back. My adjectives are in the left-hand corner of the desk under 'When Knighthood Was in Flower.' And do you suppose you could get me and the grand keeper of the records and seals a pass home for Christmas if I'd do you a New York letter some time?

"They say these city papers are hog tight!"

Dogs' Tails.

When I was a small boy an elderly doctor said to me:

"Watch the dogs. If you see a dog with a white hair on his body he is sure to have a white hair right on the end of his tail."

I have watched hundreds, perhaps thousands of dogs, and always have found the white hair on the end of the tail.—Rochester Democrat and Chronicle.

None Too Hot.

During an art exhibition one of the artists was receiving the benefit of a friend's criticism.

"This canvas," said the friend, indicating a violent bit of impressionalism, "Do you not think, after all, the atmosphere is too warm?"—Philadelphia Ledger.

Mrs. Biscoe Returns

Mrs. Laura Biscoe returned last night from Bixby, Okla., where she spent the holidays at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. J. Cross.

BASKET BALL

High School Gym

TONIGHT.

Christian Sunday School vs. Xenia.

Admission 25c and 15c.

Butter-Nut

Everybody's **BREAD** for Everybody. Also —

NEW ENGLAND BREAD
PULLMAN BREAD
RAISIN BREAD
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WHOLE WHEAT BREAD
RYE BREAD
RYE CARRAWAY BREAD
VIENNA BREAD

Fresh Every Day at Your Grocer and Market.

Reuillard

The Baker That Knows How.

Lowry Letter

It is very gratifying to us to not the increasing number of lady customers we have. It is our intention to carry everything that is needed in the home, either city or country in the way of hardware or kitchen utensils and we are pleased to know that the ladies from the country and from the town appreciate the courtesy we try to show them.

This weather is an excellent reminder of the necessity of being prepared to provide water for the chickens. We are showing the thermos type and the lamp-heated type of poultry fountains. Our thermos fountain is self-heating and the lamp-heated fountain can be washed like a bucket.

A new supply of heated hog fountains with cast iron drinking troughs came in yesterday. The husband who gives his hogs the same careful attention that the housewife gives her chickens, adds to the profit and satisfaction of the whole family.

Lloyd Everett is driving a DURANT four touring car that will take him over all the hills in high with a minimum expense for gasoline, oil and tires.

Glenn Gorden and Ira Kelley are the proud possessors of STAR touring cars, acquired the last of the week. Every time you take a look at a STAR car, you are surprised at some sturdy construction of some part that you hadn't noticed before. On the sample floor one of them is stripped down so that you may see the construction of the read axle in every detail. The front wheel is off too, so that the Timken roller bearings may be seen. The best way to appreciate its real value is to take a ride and you may be privileged to do this here at the store or, if more convenient, telephone for our demonstrator to call at your home.

HARDWARE AND IMPLEMENT CO. LOWRY MARYVILLE MISSOURI

All Roads open to THE Official COMMUNITY SALE for January Clearance

Starting Saturday, January 6th
Ending Saturday, January 13th

MONTHS of preparation---months of intensive planning---and here it is---the Official Community Sale.

Tomorrow the stores of Maryville--grouped together for one purpose---will make formal announcements of radical reductions.

The officer with the official community star, as your guide, will show you the way through the succeeding issues of this paper--how to save money on quality merchandise.

Search diligently for the reproduction of the officer—as an identification of the best at the lowest prices possible. You will surely extend to him a most enthusiastic reception as his coming at this time means a healthy clubbing of prices and respect for his order to cut down profits.

The business houses listed below have given this sale their whole-hearted support.

Follow the officer tomorrow and succeeding days---if economy is your watchword! Follow him---he's at your service!

Maryville Auto Wrecking Co.
Price Furniture Co.
Candyland.
Maryville Cleaning Co.
Economy Mercantile Co.
Superior Cleaning Co.
Chas. Buhler.
Lanning Tire & Top Shop.
D. E. Hotchkin.
Bee Hive Shoe Store.
James Carpenter, Photographer.
Schumacher's Grocery.
H. L. Haines.
Yehle Dry Goods Co.
Cummins & Wray Furniture Co.
Cook & Vogt.
Corwin-Murrin Clothing Co.
Moore Bros. Lightning Rod Co.
Case Furniture Exchange.
Dreyer Dry Cleaning Co.
Lloyd Geist.
Farmers Auto Supply Co.
Garrett Hardware Co.
Holt Supply Co.
Reavis Shoe Co.
Joe Cohn.
Howard Wray Hardware.
Bietter Brothers.
Barmann Auto Co.
Montgomery Shoe Co.
Phares Lumber & Hardware Co.
Flowers Battery & Electric Co.
Cushman Music House.
Rhodes Music Shop.
Tony Bluel & Son.
South Side Grocery & Bakery.
O. K. Garage.
Ray's Cash Grocery.
Gaugh & Evans, Druggists.
Reimer's Market & Delicattesen.
H. L. Raines.
Havamo Telephone Co.
Ashford Millinery.
Dawson Millinery.
Basford Cigar Co.
Sewell Auto Co.
Maryville Steam Laundry.
Price Grocery and Meat Market.
Brumbaugh Battery & Electric Service.
Montgomery-Cummins Clothing Co.
Kuchs Bros.
Reuillard's Bakery.
Lowry Hardware & Implement Co.
Maryville Motor Co.
Curfman Brothers Lumber Co.
W. A. Tindall, Plumbing and Heating.
Heideman & Leet Sheet Metal Works.
Maryville Elec. Light & Power Co.
Rainum and Linville Hotels.
Padgett's Electrical Shop.
Dietz & Keck.
Kramer Tire Co.
Strader & Clapper Sewing Machine Exchange.

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

Wants

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Classified wants, by the month, per line (six words) per month 70c

Count the words; send money with the order. Ads should be in by twelve o'clock to insure insertion in this column same day.

These prices are for CASH with order. An extra charge of Five Cents will be made on all Want Ads when cash does not accompany the order.

FOR SALE

LEGAL FORMS FOR SALE—The following legal forms may be had at The Democrat-Forum office: Lease of Farm, Quit Claim Deed, House Leases, Deed of Trust, Chattle Mortgage with power of Sale, and General Warranty Deed.

TELEPHONE Batteries and Hot Shots—Holt Supply Co. 1-11

Purebred S. C. R. I. Red cockerels, $1.50 to $2.00, not line bred. J. Ward Stevenson, Graham, Mo. D 30-tf

FOR SALE—Hickory and oak ridge wood, sawed in stove length; also lot of fine white oak posts. George W. Neal, Pickering, Mo. D29-tf

FOR SALE—Four Fox Hound Pups 8 months old. Well bred and pedigreed, call or write. Lloyd B. Helfner. Maryville, Mo.

FOR SALE—Baled wheat straw. A. B. Stions, Farmers 51-12. 1-3*

FOR SALE—Rose Comb R. I. Cockerels. Mrs. Lawrence Frazee. Farmers 37-11. 2-4

FOR SALE—Library table, duofold, good as new. Refrigerator, heating stove, 3 burner Perfection oil stove, other small things. 215 South Buchanan. 2-4*

FOR SALE—Jersey cow, fresh soon. A. C. Ford, Farmers 14-17. 2-4*

FOR SALE—Choice barred plymouth rock cockerels, $1.50 each. Call Emerson Moore, Graham. 1-3

ELECTRIC LAMPS—Holt Supply Co. 1-11

MISCELLANEOUS

YOU SHOULD have your side curtains made to open and close with the doors. We make and repair side curtains and tops. Don't forget our tire bargains under the big red sign on east side square. Lanning Tire and Top Shop. 30-10

FOR RENT—Sleeping room in modern home, close in, 402 East Fourth street. 1-3*

Plenty of stock pasture for cattle close to town. First class wheat straw and last years oat straw in bale for sale. T. C. Coil, Hanamo 4338. 2-4

LOST—Small pocketbook containing $26 in bills and change, between Main street and 602 East Third. Reward. Return to this office. 2tf

WANTED—50 American Magazine subscriptions during January. Subscriptions to all other magazines solicited. Florence Shullenberger, Publisher's Representative. Hanamo 3097. 2-4*

Peerless Honey Comb Radiators for Fords. While they last, $15.00. Farmers Auto Supply Co. 3-9

WANTED—Reliable, energetic men to sell National Brand fruit trees and a general line of nursery stock. Unlimited opportunities. Every property owner a prospective customer. Carl Heart earned $2,312.67 in 18 weeks, an average of $128.48 per week. You might be just as successful. Outfit and instructions furnished free. Steady employment. Cash weekly. Write for terms. National Nurseries, Lawrence, Kansas. 3-9*

WANTED TO BORROW—$3,000 for 3 or 5 years; to be secured by first mortgage on real estate worth $6,000. Call or write No. 100, care Democrat-Forum. 3-5

TO WANT ADV. PATRONS

The Democrat-Forum has been accepting want and small classified advertisements over the telephone as a matter of accomodation, but some of our patrons have not appreciated this service. Please bear in mind that these small ads are cash business and that, when they are accepted over the telephone, it is only as a matter of accommodation and with the understanding that payment for same will be brought or sent to this office within three days. The amounts are too small to justify the opening of an account or sending out collectors. (tf)

J. M. Diss returned yesterday from Shenandoah, Ia., where he has been spending the last two months. He is the son of Mrs. Amelia Diss, 515 South Fillmore street.

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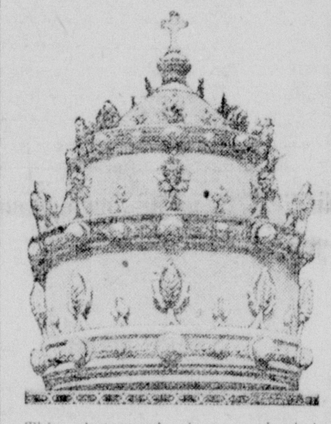
IRISH STAMPS ISSUED

When the Irish Free State came into being the other day, about the first act of its government was to issue postage stamps, one of the most artistic of which is here shown.

CROWN FOR POPE PIUS



This photograph, just received in this country, shows the magnificent tiara, carved of precious stones, that has been offered to Pope Pius XI by the inhabitants of the Milan diocese.

ARBITER OF NATIONS

An exclusive photograph of Sir Basil Zaharoff, famous Anglo-Greek financier, who is the owner of Monte Carlo and promoter and banker of Greece. Little is known of the elusive Sir Basil, save that he is a reputed arbiter of nations, the owner of newspapers, ships, factories, etc. Cloaked in mystery, he has been the power behind the throne in almost all important oil deals in Europe and Asia Minor. It is reported that since the armistice he has lost about $54,000,000 in various industries.

REJECTED ARCHDUKE

Paulette Horthy, daughter of the regent of Hungary, whose recent marriage to an untitled estate owner, Stephen Fay, caused great disappointment among the anti-Karlist factions of the Hungarian monarchists. They had hoped by the marriage of Paulette to Archduke Albrecht, son of the richest of the Hapsburgs, Archduke Frederick, to unite the forces opposing the candidacy of Archduke Otto, son of the late King Charles, for the throne of Hungary. Mlle. Horthy, who is only eighteen, preferred love to politics and the hazardous fortunes of the Hapsburgs.

After Due Consideration

FARMER TO SEE HIS LANDS RESOLD

GRUNDY COUNTY MAN HAD 18,000 ACRES OF LAND

DEBTS ABOUT $600,000

Farm Depression Had Caught C. D. Thompson Under Its Heavy Wheel And Crushed Him Down

Trenton, Mo., Jan. 3.—Fighting hard to prevent his lands from being sacrificed, Columbus D. Thompson, at one time reputed to be the wealthiest man in Grundy County and the owner of a total of nearly eighteen thousand acres of land, has induced the court to order the resale of his lands under the hopes that a larger price will be brought. The sale of his vast holdings in Grundy, Harrison and Livingston counties had been completed in November and December and his lands in Colorado were next to swing under the hammer. Disaster, the complete and total loss of his holdings, was staring him in the face. Farm depression had caught him under its heavy wheel and crushed him down.

In a desperate move to prevent the sales from being accepted by Judge L. B. Woods of Princeton, Thompson charged through his attorney that a gigantic land fraud was about to be perpetrated and his lands taken from him without a fair sale. He admitted that the original intention of his creditors was good, but that the idea of buying lands at a bargain had gradually possessed them and that they were pushing the sales through for their own good. He insisted in his plea to the court that the lands had been improperly sold so that only an organization of his creditors could buy them and that no ordinary person, unless possessing or representing some party of great means, could buy. He further insisted that the times were bad and had he been given more time, the entire debt could have been refinanced.

His Debts About $600,000.

The debts of Columbus D. Thompson amount to, at this time, about $600,000. With all this Thompson never employed a secretary or kept books. The amounts borrowed, when, interest rate and dates of maturity were kept in his head. He was on the witness stand for seven hours, three of which were consumed in telling his story and four in cross-examination and never once did he refer to notes of figures and never did he fail to answer.

This debt was divided into two classes, secured and unsecured. The secured debts are about $450,000 in mortgages. At this time there is $150,000 in debts which have nothing more than the name of Columbus D. Thompson back of them. It is the unsecured debtors, some thirty of them, representing almost every bank in Trenton and in Grundy County and individuals and banks outside of the county, that have forced the sale. There were conferences and conferences with various agreements. Thompson wanted to pay and was willing to pay, but the matter of when and how could not be agreed upon.

Thompson's Land Until March.

The end of the entire matter was that A. K. Knight, attorney for the creditors, was appointed trustee and under court order was to sell the lands to satisfy the debts. A court ruling was required to tell when the lands were to be sold, Thompson retaining possession of the land until March, 1923, and the creditors taxing themselves 10 per cent of the principle to pay taxes and the mortgages which fell due. The lands were sold in November and December.

Thompson maintained that in addition to the attempt to buy his lands cheap, the unsettled times affected the sale. One block of land, about thirty-five hundred acres, was sold at one time with few bidders. The Grundy County Land Company, a corporation composed of unsecured creditors, bid in every acre. The corporation announced that its purpose was to protect the land and to see that it brought enough to pay them back.

As a matter of fact of the entire eight thousand acres of land sold—the largest land sales ever held in this county since the days of grants and homesteads—did not bring enough to satisfy the unsecured creditors and they were next going to sell the ten thousand acres of grazing lands in Colorado.

Charges of Fraud Dismissed

All charges of fraud or conspiracy were dismissed by Judge Woods and not even the illegality of the sale was entertained. In a long speech, he intimated that the only matter to take up was that of getting more money for the land. If $5 more per acre could be realized, the $40,000 would be a great help to all.

The unsecured creditors readily agreed to a second sale and it was ordered for February. This time the land will be sold in tracts large and small to bring the most money.

Perhaps the most curious part of the case, aside from that of the size of the land sale and the immensity of the affairs of a farmer, is that some of this land is the best land lying north of the Missouri River. Farmers testifying stated that under old conditions, or war conditions, it was worth $200 and even $300 an acre. They valued it now from $100 to $150. Some of the land is in drainage districts, cheaper for that reason, but inside of five years destined to be the best land of all. With all this in view, the land averaged a few cents over $70 an acre. Of the 8,000 acres sold, the unsecured creditors were still behind about $40,000.

Thompson is maintaining that his lands should not bring less than $100 an acre on the average, and his equity all that he has left out of the gigantic wreck which cost him years of his life, should be protected.

Lost His Son And Crops

All his energy was banked this summer on a crop, the last crop he was to put in, since, possession must be given by March 1, 1923, according to his agreement and deed. With the threshing machine waiting to begin work to thresh out about fifteen thousand bushels of wheat and with two thousand acres of corn in the bottom laid by, Grand River, Muddy, Honey and Medicine Creeks rose in twenty-four hours, spread over the bottoms and in forty-eight hours a crop worth at least $70,000 floated away or was drowned out. It was in this flood that Preston Thompson, one of his sons, lost his life while trying to drive cattle from the lowlands.

When Thompson told this story on the witness stand, he pulled from his pocket a bandana handkerchief, blew his nose violently and wiped his eyes. "I felt like it had been a heavy drain on me," he said, and went on with his story.

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MONKEY SAVED THE CREW

The crew of the S. S. Carolinian owe their lives to Mme. Allablaba who gave the alarm when the sulphur cargo of the ship caught fire many miles out at sea. Mme. Allablaba was gassed during the fire and was treated at a hospital in San Francisco on the ship's arrival. She is a native of the Himalayas and the ship's mascot.

REMUS
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Rubber Footwear

We are continuing the special prices recently announced on rubber footwear.

Avail yourself of this opportunity to purchase these goods NOW, when you need them, at prices most satisfying to your pocketbook.

Ask about the specials in Women's Shoes.

HISTORY'S MYSTERIES

THE MISSING MESSENGER

IT WAS on June 14, 1904, that Kent Loomis, brother of F. B. Loomis, the assistant secretary of state, sailed from New York on board the Kaiser Wilhelm II, bearing with him the text of a treaty between the United States and Abyssinia—a treaty concerning which there had been much conjecture and speculation on the part of certain European powers.

Under ordinary circumstances Loomis would have taken his wife and child with him; on this occasion, he considered it best to leave them behind in Parkersburg, W. V., both on account of the fact that he was on a diplomatic mission and because he intended to participate in some big-game hunting after delivering the treaty to King Menelik.

Nothing unusual occurred on the trip until the morning of June 20, the day on which the steamer was due to dock at Plymouth, England. It was then noted that Loomis' seat at the captain's table was empty and a steward was dispatched to find out if he were ill. A few minutes later the steward returned with the news that Loomis' berth had not been occupied and an immediate search of the ship was ordered—but without bringing to light the slightest trace of the representative of the American government.

Several passengers volunteered the information that they had seen Loomis on deck shortly after midnight and William E. Ellis, cabinmate and traveling companion of the missing passenger, declared that his friend's absence from the cabin had not alarmed him because of the fact that Loomis had come in at a fairly late hour on several previous evenings. British officials at Plymouth and the French officers at Cherbourg repeated the search of the steamer, but in vain. Nothing was missing from the cabin save the suit which Loomis was wearing at the time and even the flat dispatch box which contained the text of the treaty was found concealed beneath a pile of clothing in one corner of Loomis' trunk. Investigation developed the fact, however, that the State department messenger had been in the habit of carrying this box in his pocket and had laid it aside on the previous evening only because it made an unseemly bulge in the dress clothes which he had donned in honor of the captain's dinner.

During the next few weeks rumors of all kinds filled the press on both sides of the Atlantic. Loomis had gone suddenly mad and had been placed in a sanatorium. He had slipped off the steamer at Plymouth disguised as a second-class passenger. He was the victim of a clique of international spies who, balked in their attempt to secure possession of the text of the treaty, were holding him for ransom. He was still confined in the hold of the Kaiser Wilhelm—and so on to the limit of the imaginations of those who like to use fact as a basis for fiction.

But all these reports were set at rest when, on the morning of July 16—just thirty-two days after Loomis had sailed from New York—a body was washed up at Warren Point, about fifteen miles from Plymouth. Believing that the body was that of a common sailor, the local police were about to inter it without further ceremony, when, from the watch-pocket of the trousers there dropped a water-soaked bit of pasteboard, upon which was barely discernible the name, "Kent J. Loomis."

Careful examination of the body developed the fact that, under the right ear, there was a circular wound which appeared to have been inflicted before death and a post-mortem examination of the lungs of the dead man showed conclusively that death had been due to the blow which had resulted in this wound, rather than to drowning. The physicians were divided in their opinion as to whether the blow had been delivered by an instrument similar to a blackjack or whether Loomis might have fallen and struck his head against a projecting portion of the ironwork on the steamer. Examination of the Kaiser Wilhelm's log showed, however, that the sea had been extremely calm on the night that Loomis came to his death and that there had not been enough roll to cause anyone to lose his footing. Besides, there was the evidence of the manner in which the body was clothed. The coat was missing, the collar had been torn partly away and there were other signs of rough treatment before Loomis had struck the water.

It was therefore practically certain that the messenger had been murdered. But who had killed him—and why? Had he been struck down on account of the money he was carrying or because of the treaty? Was his death a forecast of the World war which was to follow twelve years later?

These and all the other questions which surrounded the mystery remain as one of the unsolved riddles of diplomatic intrigue.

A Bit Skeptical.

"Who is the important looking stranger?"

"He styles himself advance guard of prosperity. He is here to address the business men of our town."

"The hotel proprietor doesn't seem to believe he's the advance guard of prosperity. He has just refused to 'cash the stranger's check.'"—Birmingham Age Herald.

MARKET REPORTS

Chicago, Jan. 3—CATTLE—Receipts, 11,000.
HOGS—33,000.
SHEEP—Receipts, 5,000.

St. Louis, Jan. 3—CATTLE—Receipts, 3,000.
HOGS—Receipts, 14,000.
SHEEP—Receipts, 1,000.

Kansas City, Jan. 3—CATTLE—Receipts, 9,000.
HOGS—Receipts, 19,000.
SHEEP—Receipts, 5,000.

St. Joseph, Jan. 3—CATTLE—Receipts, 4,800.
HOGS—Receipts, 11,000; top, $8.35.
SHEEP—Receipts, 5,000.
Hogs 10 cents lower.

TODAY'S MARKET

Eggs, per dozen	32c
Butterfat, per lb	46c
Hens, per lb	10c to 13c
Springs, per lb	9c to 12c
Roosters, per lb	5c
Ducks, per lb	11c
Geese, per lb	11c
Hides, per lb	8c

Why are the Post Office Pens Bad.

For years we have drawn lessons on government ownership from telephones, railroads, and street cars, but if we were asked right now to give our strongest, most convincing argument against government ownership we should put ourselves on record by saying: THE POST OFFICE PEN!

Did anyone ever see a good pen in a post office or a bad one in a bank? And who owns and controls the post-office? And who owns and controls the bank? We hurl this argument at any advocate of government ownership and we remind him:

"You can't change your post office but you can change your bank."

Also that:

"What's everybody's business is nobody's business."

And these two things explain why post office pens are bad and bank pens are good and why government ownership is no unmixed blessing.—The Nation's Business.

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UNEDUCATED COSTS NATION MILLIONS

SAYS COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION, JOHN TIGERT

LITTLE SCHOOL MUST GO

We Must Equalize Educational Opportunity From the Bottom Up, Not From Top Down.

Washington, Jan. 3. — The United States is losing $825,000,000 a year throught illiteracy.

This is the estimate made by John J. Tigert, United States Commissioner of Education, in the course of the campaign of the government for the abolition of the "little red schoolhouse" and the establishment of equal educational opportunities for children everywhere.

Officials and educators in the National Capital agree that illiteracy represents a tremendous economic and social loss to the nation, and even President Harding took occasion in a recent message to Congress to comment upon the problem.

Commissioner Tigert declares the progress being made in removing illiteracy is not encouraging, pointing out that from 1910 to 1920 the drop in the percentage of illiterates was less than 2 per cent, while in twelve states illiteracy actually increased during that period.

"These figures are based on census returns," Tigert said, "but as a matter of fact, many authorities have long thought that a test of ability to use the language in a practical way would reveal a much larger percentage of illiterates; such, for example, as the Army test, which showed that 25 per cent of our young men could make no practical use of written English.

"Although illiteracy is a national problem, yet it is greater in rural districts, where there are four illiterates, aged 16 to 20, to one in our cities."

Discussing the economic loss due to illiteracy, Commissioner Tigert said:

"The fact is self-evident that an educated nation is a more productive one.

"It has been estimated that if the productive labor value of an illiterate is less by only fifty cents a day than that of the educated man or woman the country is losing $825,000,000 a year throught illiteracy.

"Illiteracy is a social menace. Social progress can only come about as it is based on mutual understanding, and there can be no understanding where there is no power of communicating one's thoughts to one's neighbor. No people can have the same ideals and work for a common cause when one-fifth of the people do not know, and cannot know, what the other four-fifths are thinking.

"There is a startling inequality in the amount and kind of education offered to children of the United States. Large numbers of children are handicapped by the most meagre schooling, while others are profiting by the best modern educational opportunities.

"The most striking inequality is between the rural and the city schools. More than two-thirds of the schools of this country are one-room rural schools. There are approximately 186,000 of these schools. Between ten and twelve million children are enrolled in these one-room schools. In nineteen states there are one-room schools in which teachers are receiving less than $300 a year. It seems ironic to call such a sum a salary. The average salary for the one-room school teacher falls between $300 and $400, while in cities of the same states the average salary for elementary teachers runs from $1,000 to $1,200.

"The way to equalize educational opportunity is from the bottom up, not from top down. We must replace the small, antiquated one-room school by large consolidated schools. Consolidation has been tried for eighty years, and it has been found that it is within the power of the consolidated school to meet all the requirements of the finest type of school now known. The consolidated school is employing better prepared teachers and paying them better salaries; it is developing school plants with auditoriums, laboratories and shops and it is promoting the health of the children by medical inspection, well-prepared lunches and safe transportation from home to school and return. Equality of educational opportunity will not be possible so long as we conduct our educational system on the basis of the little red schoolhouse of one or even eight rooms."

Leave for St. Louis

Harold Ryan and John Costello returned last night to St. Louis to resume their studies at St. Louis University after spending the holidays with their parents, Dr. and Mrs. F. M. Ryan and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Costello.

Copernicus Celebration Planned for February

In this house in Thorn, Poland, Nikolaus Copernicus, most famous of all astronomers, was born February 19, 1473. His four hundred and fiftieth birthday will be celebrated February 19, 1923, and plans for the event are now being made. A tablet between the third and fourth windows reminds the passers-by of the historic value of the building. At the left is a portrait of Copernicus.

Tree Brought From Washington's Ancestral Home

Miss Amelia D. Campbell, national chairman of the women's committee of the Sulgrave Institute of America planting a tree brought from Sulgrave manor, the home of the Washingtons in England, in the grounds of Mount Vernon.

The case of the City of Maryville against Virgil Gray on a liquor charge was continued from today until Monday.

TO FLY OVER ATLANTIC

Miss Kathlene Martyn, stage favorite and beauty, will be the first of her sex to attempt a flight, with a pilot, across the Atlantic ocean. Miss Martyn, who is the mascot of the Royal British Flying corps, has flown in every type of aircraft.

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TO-NIGHT
Tomorrow Alright
KEEPING WELL — An NR Tablet (a vegetable aperient) taken at night will help keep you well, by toning and strengthening your digestion and elimination
Used for over 30 years
Get a 25¢ Box
NR Jrs
Chips off the Old Block
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Maryville, Missouri.

COMBINED STATEMENT OF

First National Bank

—and the—

Gillam-Jackson Loan and Trust Company

at the close of business December 29, 1922.

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts	$1,167,216.67
United States Bonds	212,646.19
Other Stocks and Bonds	105,946.08
Cash and Sight Exchange	144,815.84
Banking House, Furniture and Fixtures	35,189.84
Other Real Estate	2,623.85
Title Plant	13,628.97
Redemption Fund	5,000.00
Interest earned but not collected	14,343.14
Other Assets	10,353.69
	$1,711,764.27

LIABILITIES

Capital and Surplus	$ 210,000.00
Undivided Profits	42,777.90
Collateral Certificates	33,500.00
Interest collected but not earned	16.22
Circulation	100,000.00
Deposits	1,242,370.15
Bills Payable and rediscounts	30,000.00
Bonds Borrowed	53,100.00
	$1,711,764.27

The above statement is true and correct.

JOSEPH JACKSON, President and Secretary.

Why One Advertising Appropriation Was Increased

Two partners were debating their advertising policy—planning the campaign for the next six months.

Theirs is a retail store which spent in one year $12,000 on its advertising which was 5 per cent of their yearly volume, a fair expenditure in their line of business.

In growth of sales they could easily point out the home-coming of the $12,000 with a fair and reasonable profit in its train. For these two partners that expenditure was a profitable short term investment.

One of the partners spoke up:

"John," he said, "we have a cash profit in the bank from that $12,000, but we have a greater intangible profit by far—it is piled up for us in the minds of every man and woman in the city.

"It is reflected in the attitude of our bankers.

"It is present in the minds of the manufacturers who sell us.

"It is working on the minds and purses of every one of our customers."

"Why," he continued, "this business, because of the advertising we have done, is worth $12,000 more than it was before we began."

The two partners increased their appropriation, modestly, it is true. That was five years ago. Today, for it is in a large city, their appropriation is eight times their original amount. Their standing, with bankers, manufacturers and customers is A-1. Their business has grown and grown in a healthy way. And still as one of them put it—

"In the last five years advertising has made money for us. Every cent we've spent has come back to us, and brought another with it. But, our real profit—our big profit from that advertising is banked in the minds of the people. Ours is the best known business of its kind in town. And that is worth a lot of money to us."

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